

AMENDMENTS

In the Claims:

Prior to further examination, please amend the claims as follows:

1. (currently amended) A registry system comprising:

- a. a computer non-volatile memory to record the preferences of a prospective recipient of goods;
- b. means to receive and record at least two orders from registrants; and
- c. a timing system whereby the at least two orders from registrants are delivered to the prospective recipient on at least two different days;

wherein the preferences include at least one start date and at least one end date, collectively defining at least one time interval, designated by the prospective recipient, during which the prospective recipient would prefer to have the at least two orders delivered.

2. (original) The system of claim 1, wherein the orders from registrants are matched with preferences of the prospective recipient.

3. (original) The system of claim 1, wherein orders are received over a global communications network.

4. (original) The system of claim 1, wherein the means to record preferences and the means to receive and record orders comprises a common data base in a structured query language.

5. (currently amended) A method of filling orders for perishable goods comprising the steps of:

- a. establishing in a computer a registry of prospective recipients;
- b. enrolling in the computer the preferences of the prospective recipients into the registry;

- c. receiving at least two orders for perishable goods to be provided to the prospective recipients;
- d. matching the at least two orders with the preferences of the prospective recipients; and
- e. filling the at least two orders over a predetermined period of time by delivering the perishable goods to the prospective recipients on at least two different days;

where the preferences include at least one start date and at least one end date, collectively defining at least one time interval, designated by the prospective recipient, during which the prospective recipient would prefer to have the at least two orders delivered.

6. (original) The method of claim 5, wherein the preferences of the prospective registrants are specified by the prospective registrants.

7. (original) The method of claim 5, wherein the preferences of the prospective registrants are specified by someone other than the prospective registrants.

8. (original) The method of claim 5, wherein the perishable goods are flowers.

9. (original) The method of claim 5, wherein the perishable goods are delivered on a first date and on a second date separated in time from the first date.

10. (original) The method of claim 5, wherein the step of enrolling the preferences of the prospective recipients into the registry is performed over a global communications network.

11. (original) The method of claim 5, wherein the step of receiving orders for perishable goods is performed over a global communications network.